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It is hard to believe that when the two electricity companies framed their final proposals to Government providing for minimum controls they did so in the expectation that their plan would be fully accepted. For while they take elaborate steps to safeguard their own interests and those of the shareholders, the consumer is virtually ignored and there is no clear indication of the extent to which he will benefit. If Government's only consideration were the consumer, the answer would be simple. It could for example insist that for every dollar the companies put aside from current earnings for development, shareholders will have to put up three or more. And it could permit no increase in dividend without a corresponding benefit to the consumer.

But the companies' plan does, for all its jaunty self-confidence, throw down a challenge which has to be answered. Is it this: are they to be treated as a special case as far as controls are concerned, or are they to have as much freedom as any other public utility? In other words, are the companies to be allowed to pay roughly the same dividends as other utilities and to be able to make similar provision for various contingencies including future expansion, or are they to be shackled in such a way that while electric light bills may come down a few dollars, companies will be unable to function as efficiently and grow as spectacularly as they have in the past?

It is an important question, for while we have no brief for big business, we are vitally concerned with the future of industry, and the paramount need for it to be served with light and power as and when it requires it.

The argument that because of the importance of electricity supply Government should have greater control of these companies, than any other is admirable only as long as it does not plan putting them into financial chains and robbing them of the initiative and incentive which has been so much a feature of past growth. This does not mean that consumers' welfare must be sacrificed, but it is most important to ensure that the electricity companies are given the same freedom to operate and expand as other utilities. The consumer will gain nothing by a scheme which gives him cheaper bills now but a service planned by blackouts, stoppages and interruptions ten years hence because of the companies' inability to grow at the same rate as the rest of the colony.

19 countries affected by move to halt dollar drain

HK HIT BY NEW U.S. TRADE BAN

*American aid money
cannot be spent here*

Countries receiving American aid will no longer be able to spend aid money in Hongkong under a new order announced in Washington yesterday. The order affects 18 other countries as well, including Japan, West Germany, UK and Australia. Authorities in Hongkong today said the Colony stood to lose millions of dollars worth of business under the order.

NEW SOVIET DEMANDS ON CONGO

Moscow, Dec. 5. The Soviet Union today demanded an "urgent" discussion of the Congo situation at the United Nations, Tass said. The demand came in a new Soviet statement on the Congo situation which also demanded release of jailed Premier Patrice Lumumba and disarming of Congolese troops of Colonel Joseph Mobutu by UN forces.

The official news agency said the Soviet Union also urged the setting up of a special commission of representatives of African nations to "investigate the sources of financing of the rebels."

EXPANSION

The statement also called for extension of all relations from the Congo, Tass said. The statement charged "flagrant interference" in the Congo by "the present U.S. Government."

It said: "Colonizers and their lackeys from the USA, Britain, France and Belgium are plundering the Congo." —UPI.

Newsman fined in South Africa

Johannesburg, Dec. 3. Dennis Kiley, 27-year-old Johannesburg journalist, was today fined a total of £400, or eight months jail, for sending false information about South African prisons to the London News Chronicle.

Kiley was alleged to have sent cables to the paper describing Meidien Prison as a "concentration camp where African political leaders are flogged to death." —Reuter.

LAST SNARK FIRED

Cape Canaveral, Dec. 6. A missile era ended here on Monday when the U.S. Air Force fired the last Snark in its research and training programme. The launching followed the successful 1,000-mile flight of a longer-range Polaris.

An Air Force crew sent the Snark winging over the Atlantic on a 5,000-mile training flight.

The Snark was America's first missile capable of intercontinental range. But it became a victim of advanced technology and eventually was overshadowed by the swifter, more powerful Atlas intercontinental range ballistic missiles. —AP.

8 missing in gales and snow

Tokyo, Dec. 6. Eight fishermen were reported missing as gales and heavy snow hit northern Japan on Monday disrupting railway and communications.

For the lives of the fishermen mounted as Coast Guard boats dispatched to their rescue failed to locate them. They were last reported clinging to the half submerged Shinko Maru off the north Honshu coast.

A Maritime Safety Board official said the boat was capsized by strong winds and rough sea.

SIX INCHES

There were no reports of casualties on land however.

In Fukushima, north of Tokyo, where up to six inches of snow fell, telephone communications between Tokyo and Sendai, 100 miles northeast of Tokyo, were disrupted for about three hours because of power failure. Trains were also delayed and many homes went without electricity.

Mountainous areas in central Japan were also blanketed by heavy snowfalls. —AP.

LIGHT AND A LIFE BURN OUT IN REFRIGERATOR

New York, Dec. 5. A little boy's curiosity... a flashlight... a vacant apartment... an empty refrigerator. This was the outline of a neighbourhood tragedy that took the life of eight-year-old Robert Ingram last night. Not long ago, Robert, the son of a building superintendent, received a handsome gift from a family moving from the neighbourhood. The present—a shiny flashlight—became a near obsession with the boy. For hours,

as small boys will, he explored the dark places in the neighbourhood—smoky basements, gloomy stairwells, doorways and odd corners. Friends accused him of even taking the light to bed with him. During most of his walking hours, he kept the flashlight fastened to a string tied around his waist. For three days, Robert probed every small nook and cranny in the area. Came yesterday. When Robert didn't come home for dinner last night, his frantic father, John Ingram, called police.

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WORLD COMMUNIST PARTIES EXCLUDE WAR IN SPITE OF CAPITALISTS

Berlin, Dec. 5. Leaders of the 81 Communist parties which met in Moscow at the "summit" conference which ended last week said today it was possible to exclude war from the world even while capitalism still existed in part of it.

Will soviet experts return to China?

London, Dec. 5. Western diplomats here are watching to see if Soviet experts will return to China and if the distribution of Chinese publications will be resumed in the Soviet Union, following the Moscow "summit" conference of Communist parties.

From now on, the US\$400 million a year business will go largely to U.S. suppliers.

Countries spending their American aid money in the Hongkong market include South Korea, Indonesia, Thailand and Vietnam.

According to the Bank of Korea, the republic has been buying heavily in Hongkong in the last three years with US aid money.

In 1959, it spent US\$3,185,048 (about HK\$16,000,000); in 1960, US\$2,421,325 (about HK\$14,500,000); and in 1960 from January 1 up to November 30, US\$2,749,109 (about HK\$10,400,000).

Indonesia has been asking Hongkong to process American aid cotton into yarn for foreign trade.

Heavy purchase

This year, a contract between Indonesia and Hongkong covered \$24,086,000 worth of American aid cotton which was to be processed into yarn in Hongkong at a cost of more than \$8 million.

The 1956 processing involved HK\$21 million worth of American aid cotton for Indonesia.

There have been heavy purchases of pharmaceuticals in Hongkong by Vietnam but no figures are available.

According to a spokesman for the Vietnam Consulate here, the country has been purchasing from Hongkong with their own foreign exchange since 1950.

COMMON FEELING

A common feeling here is that the Soviet leader, Mr Nikita Khrushchev, has temporarily prevailed over the Chinese at the Moscow conference, but that Sino-Soviet differences remain under the surface. —Reuter.

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Tunku gives up

Kuala Lumpur, Dec. 6. The Prime Minister, Tunku Abdul Rahman, announced in the Malaysian House of Representatives today that he had decided to give up mediating in the West Iran issue.

He was "sorry" to have to leave the problem at "this important juncture." —Reuter.

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In a 20,000 word declaration published here tonight they pledged themselves to work for peace.

Soviet aid plane to Laos crashes with petrol

Vientiane, Dec. 5. Vientiane airport reported one of the Russian airlift planes ferrying petrol to this neutralist capital of Laos caught fire and is presumed to have crashed midway between Hanoi and Vientiane today.

The airport control tower said they picked up a distress signal from the plane, ran over to it and found it had

The Russian pilot reported both engines of the twin-engine IL 14 transport plane were out. The signal went dead immediately after that, the tower said.

The plane was loaded with 1½ tons of petrol at the time.

The airlift of Russian aid to Laos started on Sunday.

There was no immediate confirmation of the crash report from Laosian Government officials. But only four planes made the shuttle flight this afternoon. Five had flown in this morning. —AP.

Police swoop after bank raid

Liverpool, Dec. 5. Detectives swooped on a house here last night after safecrackers had stolen more than £5,000 in silver from a bank.

A number of men dashed from the house and jumped into a black saloon car.

A detective threw himself on the front of the car as it sped away but was jolted off.

Road blocks were immediately set up in a wide area.

In what was Liverpool's biggest bank robbery, the intruders broke open the strongroom of a branch of the Midland Bank early yesterday.

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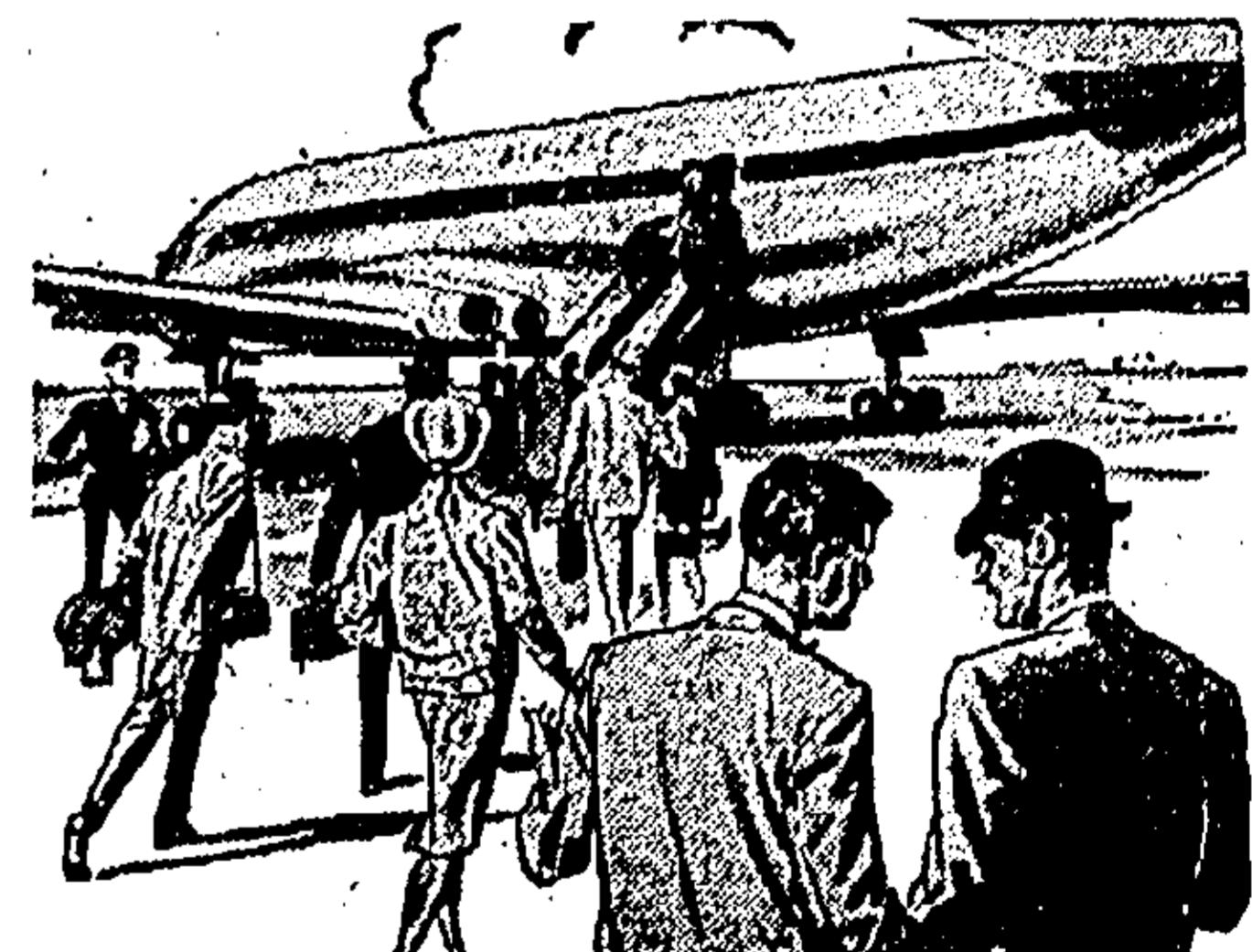
They tried unsuccessfully to blow open the main safe, believed to contain about £30,000.

The thieves, using stolen oxygenated torches, on the strong-room's steel door, took away more than 50 kilos bags each containing about £100 in silver—silver all in shillings and altogether weighing more than 11 hundredweight. —China Mail Special.

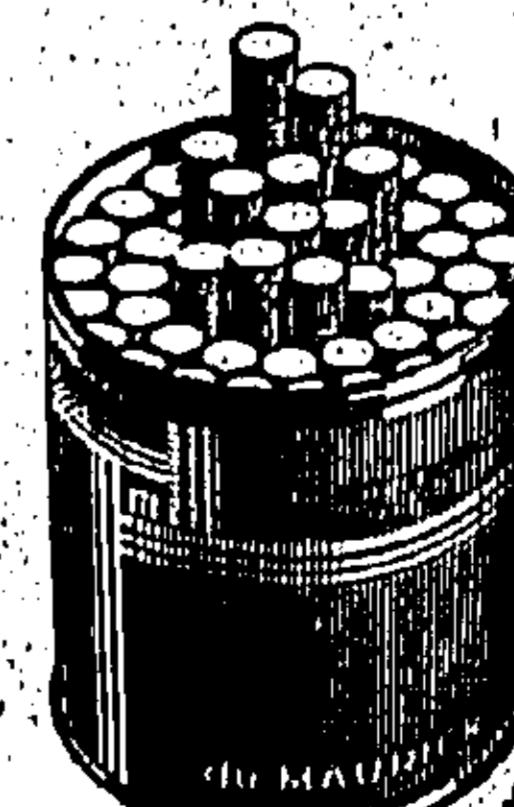
British ship on fire

Rotterdam, Dec. 6. Dirkzwager's shipping agency said today the 5,441 ton British ship Harpallion radioed that she "has a bad fire in hold number one."

Her position was given as in the Atlantic, west of Land's End. The message said the Harpallion "needs all possible assistance from ships in that area." —AP.



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MOBUTU'S THREAT TO NILE

Will block important tributaries

Leopoldville, Dec. 5. Colonel Joseph Mobutu, the Congolese army chief, declared today he was ready to block two important tributaries of the Nile if Egypt and the Sudan supplied aid to a separate regime in Stanleyville.

"As a last resort I am ready to turn my whole army into labourers to cut the waters of the Nile," he told reporters.

Last week Mr. Bernard Salam, a district commissioner who has helped run Stanleyville, told reporters he would secede from the rest of the Congo.

Crew leave grounded vessel

New York, Dec. 5. A haggard crew of seafarers boarded a bus at Traverse City, Michigan, for New York, leaving the motor vessel Francisco Morazan — a 40-year Liberian freighter — grinding on the rocks off South Manitou Island.

The Morazan was driven off course by a fierce Lake Michigan storm last Tuesday night. Her crew was taken on by Sunday by the Coast Guard cutter Mackinaw and brought to Traverse City.

Cap. Eduardo Trivizas, the Morazan's 20-year-old Greek master, wrote to the Mackinaw's officers and crew with heartfelt thanks for standing by us in distress and rescuing us from our vessel.

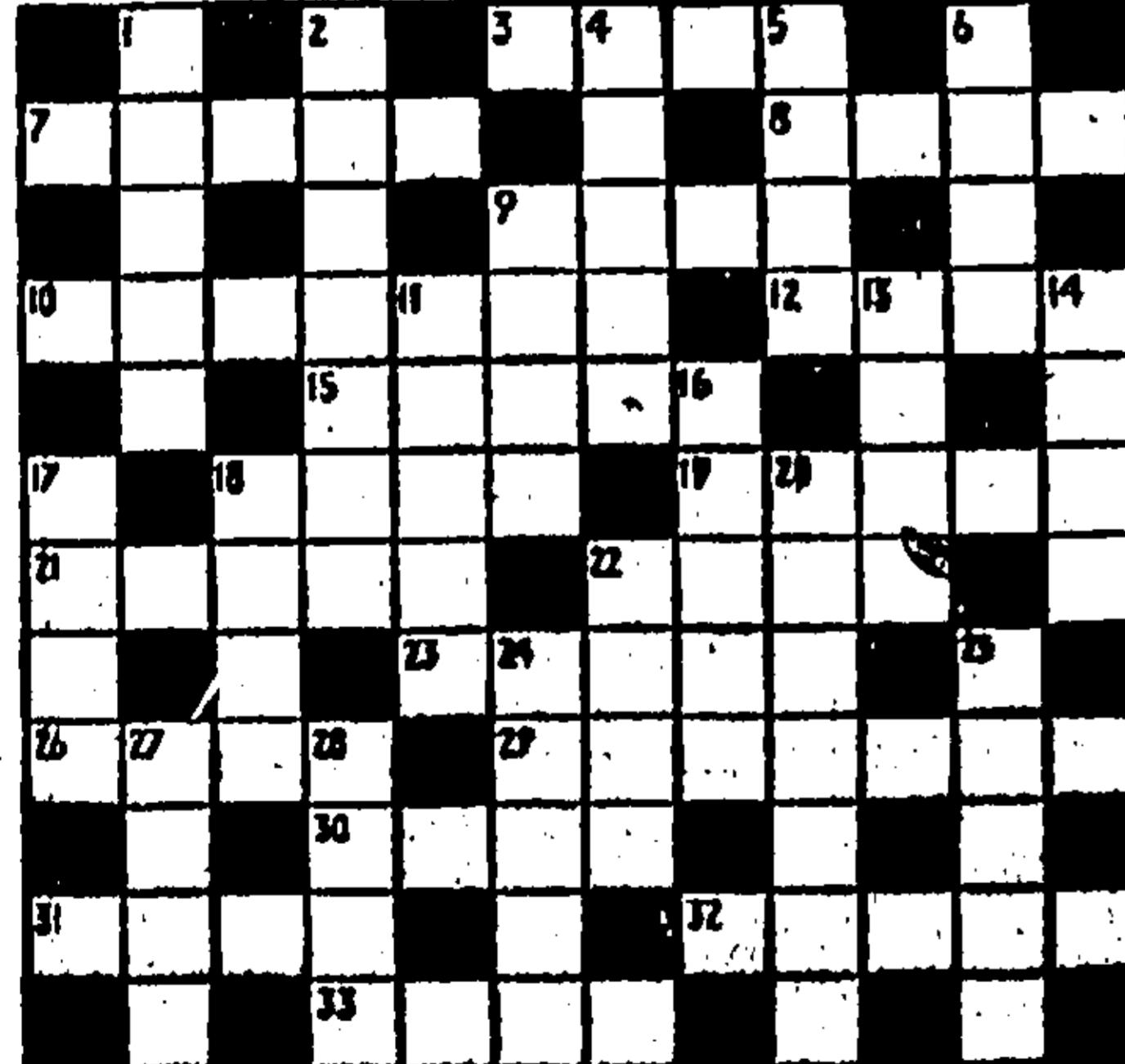
The storm caught the Morazan outbound from Chicago to Rotterdam.—AP.

Rebel officer surrenders

Jakarta, Dec. 5. The Indonesian Air Force announced today that it was holding Captain Hadi Supandi, a senior officer of the Celebes-based rebel air arm which in 1958 bombed foreign shipping and east Indonesian ports.

An air force statement said Captain Supandi, a one-time pilot for the Calcutta Oil Company and the Indonesian Civil Aviation Academy, had surrendered.—Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS
 3 Norse god (4).
 7 Rings or visits (6).
 8 Some land (4).
 9 Real bargains (4).
 10 Excessive self-grooming (7).
 12 Water holder (4).
 15 Won by winners (5).
 16 Unkindness (4).
 19 Small medicine-bottle (5).
 21 N. European (6).
 22 Escalade feature (4).
 23 Means of ascent (6).
 25 Gets down (4).
 29 Artificial's outside (7).
 30 Blank area (4).
 31 Fare list (4).
 32 Unnatural watercourse (6).
 33 Container weight (4).
 28 Black-spot (4).

DOWN
 1 Handy for conducting (6).
 2 Put into office (7).
 4 That internal poet (5).
 5 Neck part (4).
 6 Princess, in a sense (4).
 8 Small quantities (4).
 11 Made more comfortable (6).
 13 River barrier (4).
 14 Aerial manoeuvre (4).
 16 Architectural high-point (5).
 17 Extends invitation (4).
 18 Lamb, for instance (4).
 19 Julie (5).
 20 Julie (5).
 21 Not one-sided (4).
 22 Not affluent (4).
 24 Scent (6).
 25 Not the end (6).
 27 Not one-sided (4).
 28 Black-spot (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD — Across: 1. Option, 4. Ode, 9. Congo, 11. Test, 13. Benteleka, 16. Reach, 18. Bomb, 19. Alarm bells, 21. Ease, 24. Tommy, 25. Old, 27. Dumb, 28. Bowls, 29. Pands, 3. Hit-off, 4. Nectar, 6. Boot-tree, 8. Dumb, 9. Glass, 12. Tides, 13. Bible, 14. Noblemen, 17. Mason, 18. Dumb, 20. Broom, 21. Ladle, 23. Atom.

Where customer must like it or else

Berlin, Dec. 5. The state-owned radio factory in the Communist East German city of Halle not only believes the customer is always right, it threatens those who complain.

Christian Melzig, two months ago wrote a letter to the Communist youth newspaper, Young World, to complain that a radio from the Halle factory did not work properly.

BE CAREFUL

He then received a letter from the factory's service department saying: "We urgently request you to be a little more careful with that type of press complaint. It could have very uncomfortable results for you."

The letter closed with a greeting for "Unity, Peace and Socialism." The story was told today by the Young World.—UPI.

Lawyer wants expense money

Col. Mobutu told reporters that the pro-Lumumba faction in Stanleyville had no real control over the town and that his troops surrounded them. Stanleyville has been run by Mr. Salam, Mr. Antoine Gizinga, Mr. Lumumba's former deputy premier and Mr. Louis Lumumba, Mr. Lumumba's younger brother.

Cut lines

Col. Mobutu said he had not yet attacked the rebels there because of United Nations entreaties to avoid bloodshed.

Unconfirmed reports circulating here have said that United Arab Republic agents — the Congo last week broke off diplomatic relations with the Republic — are in Stanleyville.

Col. Mobutu said his troops would be able to cut any direct supply lines to the area.

"If we have proof that supplies are coming in from the Sudan we would move in on the rebels in Stanleyville. But Egypt and Sudan rely on the Nile, and I do not think they will put their hearts into supplying aid to Stanleyville.

"My troops are patrolling the border between Orientale Province and Sudan," he declared.

Reports reaching here said Mr. Lumumba had been ill-treated at a Thysville military camp to which he was taken.

When the rebels are reported to have presented to Col. Mobutu over the treatment of Mr. Lumumba.—Reuter.

Algerians amazed at disappearance of Laguillard

Algiers, Dec. 5. News of the disappearance of French rightist Pierre Laguillard, leader of the "barricades" uprising in Algiers last January, was greeted here with amazement tempered later with concern over the meaning of his "vanishing act."

The Algerian radio broadcast the news, which spread like wildfire through the city. Those who heard the news by word-of-mouth were tempted at first to treat it with some disbelief, and as "just another rumour."

Laguillard and other defendants, known as "Bartenders" in the month-long trial in Paris, had been granted "provisional release" but were obliged to appear at all trial sessions. Today, Laguillard and four others failed to appear. Some reports said they had fled to Spain.

IN FAVOUR

The majority of the Europeans in Algeria had followed the trial with interest and felt that it was proceeding more or less in favour of the defendants with whom the European population had many times expressed solidarity.

Warrants for the arrest of four other trial defendants who disappeared at the trial line is Laguillard, were issued tonight by the Armed Forces Ministry announced.—AFP.

Diplomats expelled

Havana, Dec. 5. Cuba today ordered the expulsion of the entire Paraguayan diplomatic corps here. The order was made public by the Cuban Foreign Ministry.—AFP.

New deadlock in Laos peace talks

Savannakhet, Dec. 5. Rightwing rebel leaders today recalled their 19-man bloc of National Assembly delegates from the royal capital, Luang Prabang, in a move underlining new deadlock in efforts to negotiate a peaceful end to Laos' four-month-old civil strife.

The delegates had been sent to Luang Prabang last Friday for the full 50-member Assembly meeting proposed by rebel chief General Phoumi Noonean to discuss possibility of forming a coalition government.

Phoumi's proposal at first was accepted by a seven-man Assembly delegation from neutralist Vientiane but was shouted down by demonstrators in the administrative capital. Phoumi has charged the demonstrators were Communist staged.

Phoumi in turn rejected an alternative offer by neutralist Prince Souvanna Phoumi's regime to hold peace talks in Vientiane, claiming Assembly action there would be under pro-Communist Pathet Lao influence.—AP.

Detention act

London, Dec. 5. The Lower House of India's Parliament today passed a three-year extension of the preventive detention act which empowers the government to arrest people and detain them without trial.

The prince was 81. He was in hospital following a fall at his London home last March, but his death on Saturday was said to have been from natural causes.—AP.

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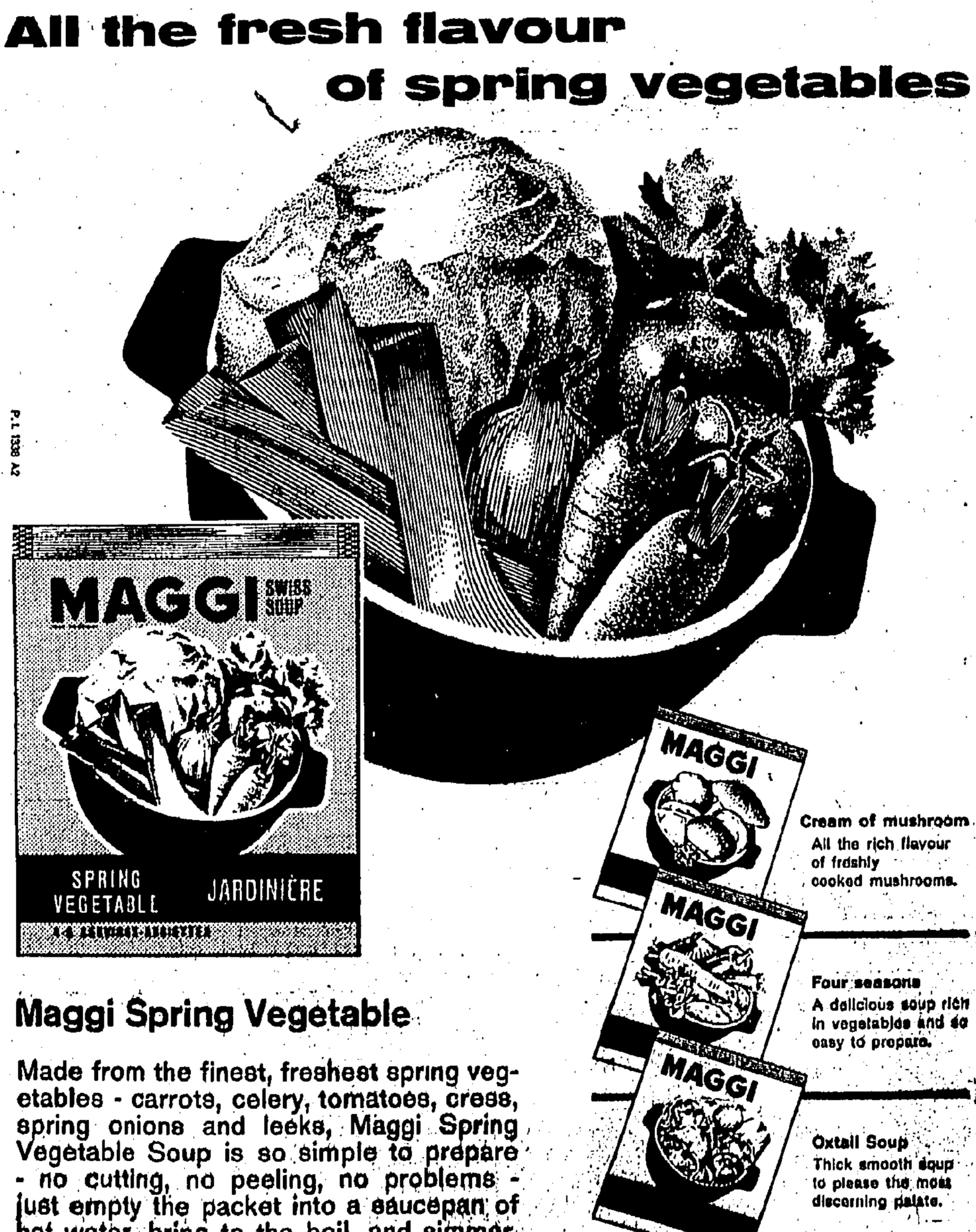
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Coolie
stabbed,
slashed

A Central Market chief coolie was stabbed three times with a triangular file and slashed with a vegetable chopper because of jealousy and a 60-cent debt, Victoria District Court was told today.

Police are still hunting one of the attackers. The other, Yiu Wang-kun, a 24-year-old factory worker of 101 Upper Sha Po-pong, was jailed for two years after pleading guilty to wounding Cheung-kwan with intent to cause grievous bodily harm.

Chief-Inspector C. L. Smith prosecuting said that on October 18 Cheung was sitting outside Central Market when a man stabbed him three times with a file and escaped.

Yiu stabbed his arm with a vegetable chopper and fled. He was caught by an off-duty policeman and prison warden as he ran through the streets.

MOTIVES

The motives for the attack, said Inspector Smith, seemed to be jealousy at the fact that Cheung had recently been promoted chief of his coolie gang, and a debt involving 60 cents.

PC Abdul Haq and Prison Warden Chan Chi-kong were called into court to be commanded by Judge P. R. Springtail on their courage in grappling with Yiu as he fled through the streets with blood-stained clothes and a chopper swinging from his belt.

Third petition

Several thousand North Point residents are now signing a third joint petition to the Governor of Hongkong against the Government plan to build a funeral parlour in Finn's-land. The letter of petition will be sent through the North Point Kafong Welfare Advancement Association.

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At the junction there was a sharp right bend and after that a sharp left bend. At the last bend, Insp. Atkinson said, the lorry skidded and overturned, flinging out the passengers and the iron bars. The bars fell on top of the coolies. All were injured with one in serious condition.

BROADWAY CRITICS HIT 'CAMELOT'

Three of the four New York morning newspaper critics today expressed disappointment with "Camelot."

The new musical is based on the ventures of legendary British monarch, King Arthur, which was brought to Broadway by the creators of "My Fair Lady."

Of the four, only John Chapman of the Daily News expressed enthusiasm for the half-million dollar production, calling it magnificent and a "thrilling work of art."

The New York Times critic, Howard Taubman, commented that it leaped dangerously in the direction of "old-hat operetta" and that the words-and-music team of Alan Jay Lerner and Frederick Loewe badly missed "their late collaboration—Bernard Shaw" on whose play "Pygmalion" their earlier success was based.

"Lady" Still Going

"My Fair Lady," still running packed houses after four years on Broadway and now co-starring Michael Atkinson and Pamela Charles, placed advertisements on today's theatre pages reading simply: "My Fair Lady—world's greatest musical."

"Camelot," which based on British author Terence Vianburn White's romance, "The Once and

Third petition

A lorry driver, Mak Yat living in Choi Wan was fined \$1,000 or six months' jail by Mr. J. T. Morris at Causeway Bay Court on a summons for dangerous driving. Mak was given 28 days to pay the fine.

Inspector M. R. Atkinson said Mak was driving down the steep Mount Butter-road towards the junction of Tai Hang-road on September 10 in a lorry loaded with iron bars and carrying six coolies.

Mak was driving down the slope very fast and was using third gear, Insp. Atkinson added.

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DEAD PILOT IDENTIFIED

Tokyo, Dec. 6. The U.S. Marine Corps today identified the pilot who was killed on Monday in the crash of his F4D Skyray jet as Capt. Joseph Franklin Taylor Jr., of Tustin, Calif.

Taylor was killed when his jet crashed shortly after takeoff from Atsugi Naval Air Station near Tokyo.

His wife, Patricia Anne, and two children, Sharon Anne and Joseph F. III, live at 1472 Romana Place, Tustin, Calif. His parents live at 302 West Atlantic-ave., Kingston, N.C.—UPI.

Milan, Dec. 6. Prince Rainier and Princess Grace of Monaco arrived in Milan early today to attend the opening of the La Scala Opera House on Wednesday.

Soprano Maria Callas, a friend of the Monaco rulers, will return to the La Scala stage then after a two-year absence while she and the management were feuding. The opera will be Gennaro Denizetti's "Poluto."

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TAXI CRASHES INTO PRAM

New York, Dec. 5.

The infant son of actress Patricia Neal and author Ronald Dahl was injured critically today when a taxicab went through a red light and smashed his pram into the rear of a Madison Avenue bus, police reported.

Police said Theodore Dahl, four months old, was out for an airing when the accident occurred. His nurse, Susan Benson, was pushing the pram, and his three-year-old sister, Tessa, was walking beside them. The baby suffered a possible fractured skull.

Neither the nurse nor the little girl was injured.

Police said the taxi was driven by Irving Marcus, 60. He was given a summons charging he ignored a stop signal.

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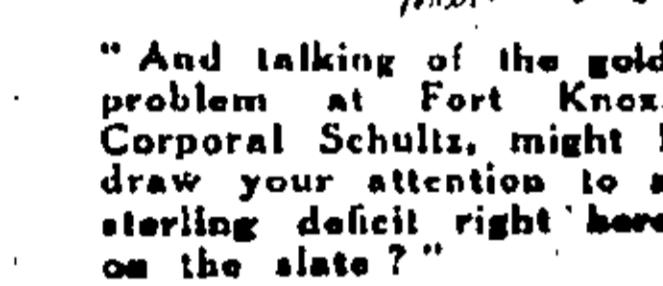
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POCKET CARTOON
BY FRIELL

MR HENRY COOPER, gentleman, lately of the county of Kent, now residing temporarily in Buckinghamshire, usually charges £10,000 to 'it you on the 'ooter—the trade a term for a punch on the nose.

In some circles, Mr Cooper's fees might be held to be exorbitant, but such an attitude would be unrealistic and out of keeping with the times.

Some years ago, when Mr Cooper was plastering walls and ceilings in the means of livelihood, he might quite possibly have given you a comradely clip over the ear for nothing.

Mathematician

But that was before he met a rather remarkable mathematician named James Wicks, known in the highest echelons of society as the Bishop of Bermonsey.

Mr Wicks, benign, balding, and inclined to be a mathematician, once many years ago, he was even known to go to work, though it is with obvious reluctance that he recalls those perishing, profitless days as a stevedore and a fish porter.

Mr Wicks saw the light when he heard a bookmaker described as an angel—and promptly set out to do likewise. He also established for himself an enviable and a distinguished reputation as a professional boxer, remaining undefeated throughout a meteoric career lasting the best part of three minutes.

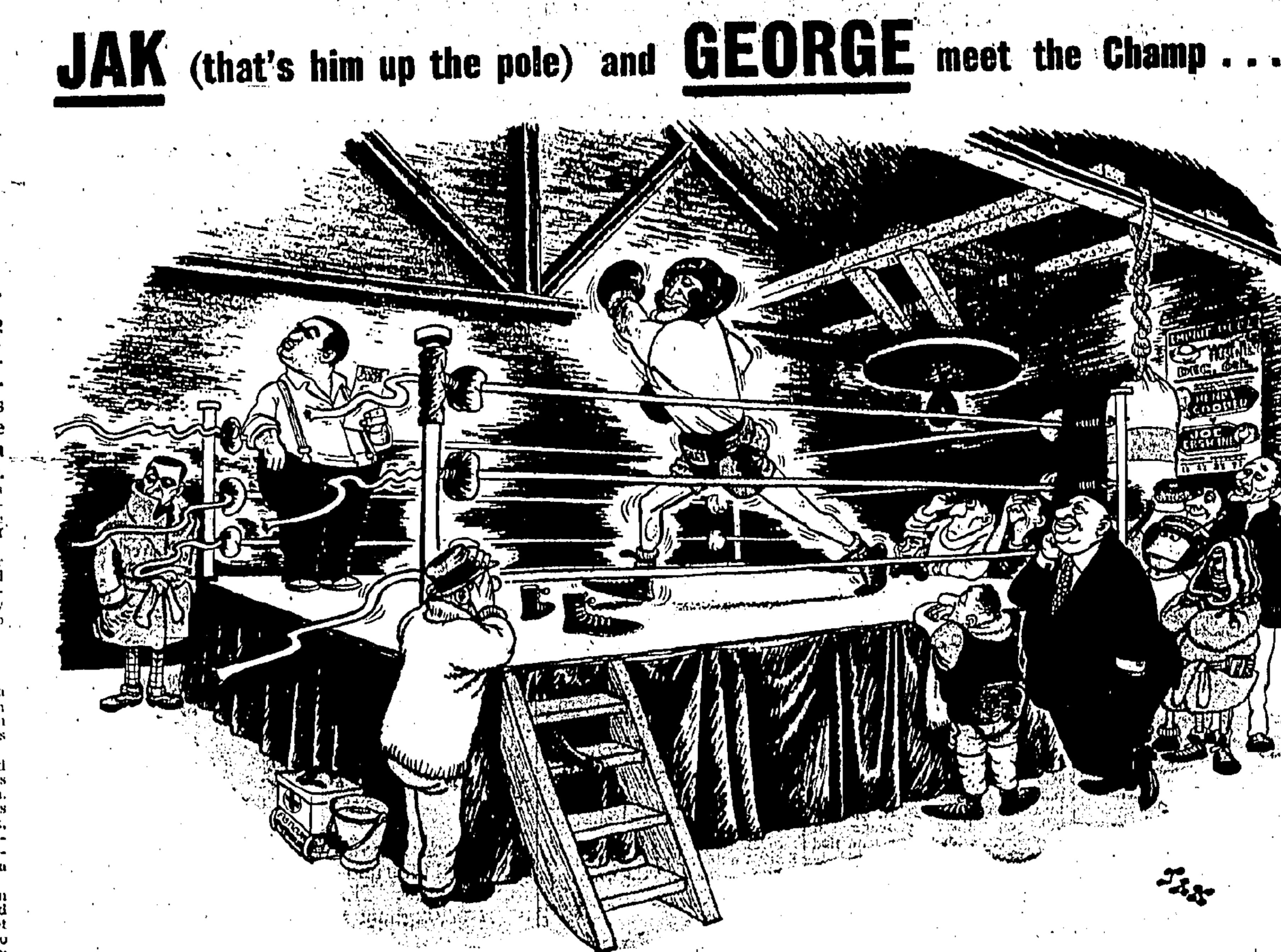
"The geezer I was fighting promised to pull over in Round Three—so I knocked 'im out in Round One in case I got double-crossed," explained Mr Wicks, with a diffident addendum to the effect that a carbuncle on the back of his neck had lent some measure of urgency to the occasion.

Economics

But we digress. Let us get back to the day a distressed Mr Wicks discovered Mr Cooper hitting people on the nose, without getting paid for it. A short day indeed. But an earnest talk on economics, the facts of life, and the frailties of human nature soon put matters to rights.

As a result, Mr Cooper is now the heavyweight champion of Great Britain and the British Empire, and Mr Wicks is his manager—a highly felicitous arrangement by which Mr Wicks gets 25 per cent of the take-for 90 per cent of the talk.

It is my privilege to know Mr Cooper and Mr Wicks quite well, and I do not mind admitting



'Enery shows us (well, one of us) his famous left hook—for free!

I asked, and was given—without thought of profit, percentage, or personal gain. Honestly, it was a great moment for me. It restored one's faith.

Mr Cooper could not hurt his honour has been conferred upon his hitherto undistinguished work. Name of Jak, I understand.

Jak, too, will come to realise and appreciate what a signal honour has been conferred upon him.

Mr Cooper refused to believe that I was in any position to ask favours of the British heavyweight champion. Silly boy.

He will know differently when, after a suitable period of convalescence, he finds out what hit him in the Buckinghamshire village of Wraysbury the other morning.

Yes, gentlemen, it was the famous left hook, wrapped in an asbestos 12-ounce training glove, admittedly, but delivered on Jak's fast-receding chin with all the adroitness, skill and precision of which Henry Cooper, our champion, is capable.

And delivered, moreover, with Mr Wicks's personal permission—for free.

"I outpointed Joe in the amateur cruiserweight championship in 1952," said Mr Cooper.

"Enery killed 'im!" said Mr Wicks.

"Then Joe beat me," said Mr Cooper.

"Diabolical!" said Mr Wicks.

"Then we both turned professional and Joe beat me on points," said Mr Cooper.

"We done our left fork. Bust a knuckle. Else we'd have killed 'im," said Mr Wicks.

"Then Joe beat me for the title," said Mr Cooper.

"Daylight robbery. Enery killed to us," said Mr Wicks.

"Then I beat Joe on a knockout and won the title," said Mr Cooper.

"Poor old Joe. We really did kill 'im that time," said Mr Wicks.

Questioned on the faint possi-

bility that Mr Enery might re-

turn in some measure today as

Mr Wicks looked wounded as

though I had done a Brutus act

in the middle of his back.

"Are you potty?" he de-

manded. "Enery will mur-

der 'im. Today is my birthday."

GEORGE WHITING

—(London Express Service.)

Invasion
of
Soviet
Salmon

GERALD KEMMET

IT was a strange fish that was found in salmon nets off the coast of England recently. Nobody at the fishery company could say what it was. The mystery deepened when marine biologists identified it as *Oncorhynchus gorbuscha*, a humped-backed salmon that lives in the warm coastal waters of the North Pacific.

How did the salmon find its way half across the world to the North Sea? Experts say the fish is only the spearhead of a massive invasion of Pacific salmon.

And the salmon are on their way, not from the Arctic. They are Soviet salmon released in Arctic waters by the Russians, who brought them 4,000 miles overland from the Manchurian sea-board.

Hatcheries

Millions of salmon eggs, packed in cans, on Russia's Pacific coast, went by train to Murmansk, the Soviet seaport on the Arctic Circle.

The eggs were released into hatcheries in the estuaries that flow into the Barents Sea.

Now shoals of Soviet salmon have made their way north and west round the tip of Scandinavia and are pressing on southwards towards our coasts in search of new feeding grounds.

Russia's Pacific coastline is rich in fish, but the area is barren and has a tiny population. Salmon for cities and industrial areas must be carried thousands of miles.

By stocking the seas nearer home the Russians hope to beat this supply problem.

London Express Service.

Divorce for 2s. 3d.

MOSCOW.

WE rose with a clatter of chairs as into the Moscow City Court walked a pretty Judge Maria Ilyena, 28-year-old mother of two. She took her seat behind a bare brown table in the arid little room. On either side her deputies flanked her: a middle-aged man and an elderly woman. Moscow's divorce court was in session.

Through the afternoon, with clinical thoroughness, Judge Ilyena considered applications for divorce from her fellow-citizens.

The "postcard" divorce era is over for Russia. Everyone, Judge Ilyena, thought that the wife's passion for her husband had evaporated when she met her present boy friend.

But she listened to neighbours

who said the marriage had never been happy, and granted the divorce, with the wife paying 500 roubles (just under £18) costs. The money will go to an orphanage.

Not all the decrees were as expensive as that. A greying woman of 37, attractive, and the sort you could turn out a batch of piping scones in no time flat, gave evidence that her husband, an habitual lecher, had been sentenced to two years in jail for crime.

Times of hearing: three minutes flat; divorce granted; cost to the applicant: three roubles.... 2s. 3d.

Starting a divorce action in Russia is a simple matter. The husband and wife appear before a local Justice of the Peace and state whether they want a divorce or not.

Then the person seeking a divorce must advertise in the local newspaper. One in Moscow usually carries between 30 and 40 such announcements each day.

Difficulties

Then there is a wait, three months, sometimes six, before the court hearing. It is difficult for couples with children to get a divorce in Russia, but there is no equivalent of the marriage counsellors who do so much good work in Britain.

MARRIAGES are expected to last longer and longer as now, homes are built and as over-crowding at the family level increases.

But last the day's list ended. I followed the Justice of the Peace out. And she said and her philosophy.

"I am happily married. So I don't like giving divorce to others."

—ROSS MARK
—(London Express Service)

Sir Basil pulls out
a very big plum... WITH HIS
CATHEDRAL BEHIND HIM... NOW FOR AN EMBASSY

BY ANNE SHARPLEY

ONCE already Sir Basil Spence has been called on to find our modern answer to an old, prodigious attainment to which most of us in our secret, timid hearts believe there can be no reply.

To ask a man to build a cathedral in this century is to ask him to speak to Shakespeare, play to Bach, paint for Piero della Francesca.

Yet his Coventry Cathedral stands roofed and almost ready. "But I believe in building cathedrals," he said, stamping his foot, to one of the great men of our time who suggested this was not, for century for new cathedral.

And now we are asking him to wrestle with another giant.

He is to design the new British Embassy in Rome to replace the one blown up by the Stern Gang in 1947.

A great prestige plum, and certainly the greatest to be pulled out of the Ministry of Works pot since Sir Edwin Lutyens was given the British Embassy in Washington in 1931, in marble and concrete. There

will be sheets of water and a great sense of space. Both water and space will flow underneath and through the building. Sir Basil, like an ardent lover making his declaration, set up the image of ideal harmony between himself and Michelangelo: just across the way.

Bow wave

"I shall use his scale," Rome is on the scale of a man and a building. It is aggressively made, like Michelangelo's "David," for instance, in the scale of man, just right for a 100-foot high figure. But I shall build on Michelangelo's greater scale.

He looks at a scale model of the site that the Ministry of Works have supplied. There is the Porta Pia, the Roman wall on the other boundary and the six-and-a-half-acre of garden that we bought originally in 1877.

"It will be marble and travertine—the Roman Porta Pia, and a great deal of shade. I would like it to be raised on great strong mushroom shaped columns—with a grand staircase of marble and concrete."

"It will use his scale," Rome is on the scale of a man and a building. It is aggressively made, like Michelangelo's "David," for instance, in the scale of man, just right for a 100-foot high figure. That's a magnificent Roman pipe, 65ft high, a wonderful Michelangelo's 16th-century figure—not merely because his beard parts like a bow wave on either side—but rather than "cut them down," the explanation.

Romantic

He has one of the wire-and-rubber-sponge model trees, lovingly and painstakingly—indeed, it's a magnificent Roman pipe, 65ft high, a wonderful Michelangelo's 16th-century figure—not merely because his beard parts like a bow wave on either side—but rather than "cut them down," the explanation.



Thirty years ago, Sir Edwin Lutyens was given nearly £1,250,000 to build his embassy in Washington. About the same time he took on his staff a young man of 22 because, he said, he "liked his face." Sir Edwin, though a notable eccentric and given to whims, had also sneaked a look at the young man's drawings.

Thirty years later that young man, now Sir Basil, the "Sir" of social science, said: "I don't love my husband any more. There is another man whom I met two months ago." Judge Ilyena: "You must be a good person." Sir Basil: "I am a good person."

"I am a good person," he said. "I am a good person." The girl took him into my office.

—(London Express Service)

Why not a Cricket Olympiad?

SIX-COUNTRY CRICKET FESTIVAL DURING ENGLISH SUMMER SUGGESTED AS FIRST STEP

London, Dec. 5. A Festival of Cricket to embrace a whole English summer is one of the latest plans to arrive at Lord's.

It is proposed to have six cricketing countries—England, Australia, West Indies, India, Pakistan and New Zealand—here in one season. There would be 30 three-day Tests, and each of the 17 first class counties would stage at least one Test. It would be Test cricket all over England, possibly as soon as 1962.

To make up for this ambitious programme, the County Championship would be reduced to 14 matches for each county, three being first class fixtures. Instead the counties would all their fixture lists with matches against all the touring countries, the universities and other sides.

The scheme has been devised by a long-time club cricketer Mr Charles Jones, of the Forest Hill Club.

He is not unknown in cricket, for thirty years ago he originated the first Sunday benefit games which have now become a regular feature of providing large sums of money for professionals. During the war Mr Jones formed and organised the successful London Counties team.

'Not dying'

"Some people say that first class cricket is dying. I don't believe it," says Charlie Jones. "In my mind the game is all right, but it is not being played the right way. We have got to get it back on its feet again, and I feel sure that three-day Test matches with the world's leading personalities taking part could be the answer."

Mr Jones, a retired businessman, explained that he has worked out his scheme to the last detail including estimated finance for all participants, a draft fixture list and the formation of the England team.

I have not included South Africa for the time being because of the colour bar problem.

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AIR FRANCE

THRILLING FIVE-SET FINAL

Azam Khan retains British Open Squash title for third successive year

London, Dec. 5. Azam Khan, professional to the New Grampians Club, London, won the British Open Squash Rackets title for the third successive year at the Royal Automobile Club, London, tonight.

Interport hockey trial team

The following have been selected to play for the probable Hongkong Interport team in a trial match against Macauensis A on Sunday at 2:30 pm at the Recreio ground:
Goalkeeper: Kardan (Prisons).
Full backs: Dillan (Nav Bharat) and Oliphant (Army).
Half-backs: Voloma (Macau), A. Silva (Recrreio), Bowell/Castro (Army/Recreio); Forwards: Alonso (Recreio), Dalmat (IRC), Narbu Lani (Army), Gardner (Nav Bharat).
Reserves: Pettifer (Army), Yacob Khan (Nav Bharat), J. Colligan (Recreio).
Umpires: V.O. Robertson and H. C. W. Crebas.

Joffre, Halimi named boxers of the month

New York, Dec. 5. Eder Joffre of Brazil, whose powerful right hand brought him America's version of the world bantamweight boxing crown last month, and Europe's bantamweight king Alphonse Halimi have been named Ring Magazine's Boxers of the Month for November.

Joffre knocked out Elroy Sanchez of Mexico in the sixth round in Los Angeles to win the National Boxing Association title. Halimi, a French-Algerian, took the European version of the crown by outpointing Freddie Gilroy in a 15-round.

The Magazine in its January issue rated Joffre and Halimi even in the bantamweight division. There were several changes in other divisions, though not for the top spot. Italy's Guido Rinaldi, who stunned the boxing world with a non-title victory over Archie Moore in the light-heavyweight division advanced from fifth to second place among the challengers. Eric Cawood—of Scotland—still—was listed—the No. 1 challenger for Archie's spot. The National Boxing Association no longer recognises Moore as champion because of his failure to defend his crown since August 1959.—AP.

Scottish FA Cup draw

Glasgow, Dec. 6. The draw for the first round of the Scottish Football Association Cup competition, to be played on January 28, was made here today as follows:
Third Lanark vs Stenhousemuir.
Baldin City vs Alkireonians.
Hotels vs Turf Rovers.
Clyde vs Hibernian.
Preston Rovers vs Gala Fairydean.
Montrose vs Albion Rovers.
Keith vs East Fife.
Falkirk vs Celtic.
Queen of South vs St Johnstone.
Guton's Park vs Arbroath.
Berwick vs Dunfermline.
Aloa vs East Stirlings.
Deveron Vale vs. Stirlings.
Aberdeen.
The following teams have byes into the second round:
Aberdeen, Ayr United, Bredin City, Buckie Thistle, Cowdenbeath, Dumbarton, Dundee, Dundee United, Duns, Forfar Athletic, Hamilton Academicals, Killamarsh, Motherwell, Morton, Partick Thistle, Raith Rovers, St Mirren and Stranraer.—Rector.

UK soccer result

London, Dec. 6. Crewe Alexandra beat Halifax Town 3-0 in their English Football Association Cup second round replay at Crewe today. Crewe will now meet Chelsea away in the third round.
MIDWEEK FIXTURES
Midweek—English soccer fixture for next week after:
MONDAY, DEC. 11
League Cup—Fourth round:
Aston Villa vs Plymouth Argyle.
Stevens vs Everton.
TUESDAY, DEC. 12
League Cup—Fourth round:
Portsmouth vs Chester.
Shrewsbury vs Norwich City.
Tuesday.

ON THE BALL

with Bill Slater

GIVE PLAYERS SHARE OF TRANSFER FEES

And let's have contracts by agreement

George Eastham now faces another struggle — to prove that he is worth the £47,500 which Arsenal paid for him.

He has the ability, of course. But it must be given time to show itself. My view is that the Arsenal supporters should not expect too much too soon.

The big developments in football arts in recent years have nearly all been concerned with group skill. Football is now a team game in the full sense. More than ever before, there is need for understanding between players and this can be achieved only over a period of time.

Man for the job

It is true that Denis Law was immediately at home when he joined Manchester City and, to judge by newspaper reports, there have never been doubts about his being worth £53,000.

Albert Quixall was not so fortunate when he joined Manchester United for a fee not much less. There were reports that he was not shining in his Sheffield Wednesday days. Some soccer folk wondered, indeed, whether Matt Busby had normally shrewd judgement had let him down.

But Busby was patient. He believed Albert Quixall would ultimately prove that he was the man for the job and time has proved him right.

Often, the very fact that players are stars with mature and established playing habits, means that they need more assimilation. The performance of the England team this season has demonstrated how a collection of star players can

improve enormously as spirit and understanding grow.

All this is not to say that clubs mustn't encourage new players to play to their natural strengths. Clearly, they must do this if they are to make the most of the players.

Many clubs have basic traditional styles, but this does not mean that their way of playing must not change in any detail.

The foundation of 'Wolves' play is still the long pass out of defence, but surely no one would claim that their game today is exactly the same as it was even a few seasons ago.

There has been a complete turnover of players in the team and this, inevitably, has thrown into question the transfer system at all?

Simply because we must. There's no other way. Even in Spain—and to a lesser degree Italy—where players are to a great extent masters of their own destinies, they have not been able to dispense with the transfer system.

I have argued before that both the players and clubs need fair protection in their dealings with each other. The players' protection could come via negotiated contract, and it seems that a transfer system is necessary if the clubs are to have protection.

The vital question

So we come to the vital question: can a player be worth so much money?

Yes he can. It must be remembered that value is a relative thing. It depends entirely on how much a player is worth to a particular club.

A football club has one reason for existing—to provide a football team. In most business the manufacture of goods is not an end in itself, but a

means to making a profit. In football the game is the end itself; profits, in the form of dividends, are actually restricted by League regulations.

The biggest assets of a club, then, are not measured by black figures on an account sheet, but by the skill of the players on the books. Money, of course, is needed for administration and for providing better accommodation for fans.

But how does a club make money? By attracting spectators? By playing successful football? Players are bought to achieve that very end.

Spending can pay

Tottenham are the supreme example here. Playing to packed grounds every week, and with the chance of a place in the European Cup, they are making big-spending pay.

But it is not quite as simple as that. It is not solely a question of raising enough cash to buy a good team. Many clubs have discovered this to their bitter and heavy cost.

There are hazards in the transfer market and many clubs regard the development of young players as the safest proposition in team building. Very often the right players are not available—at any price.

This, and the fact that a collection of highly-priced stars does not necessarily make a good team, is a good thing. It prevents the transfer market getting completely out of hand. It also ensures that successful buying must be done to a plan and directed by men who know their football.

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Avert-the-football-strike meeting held

London, Dec. 5. An avert-the-football-strike meeting was held at the

First innings lead for S. Australia

Adelaide, Dec. 5. Opening batsman, John Lill, who is making a strong bid for a place in Australia's Test team, today completed his sixth century for South Australia when the Sheffield Shield match against Western Australia was continued.

Lill carried his Saturday score of 94 not out to 128 and helped South Australia to a first innings lead of 82 runs.

They scored 305 in reply to Western Australia's 223. Western Australia need to 143 for four hours in their second innings and finished the day 61 runs ahead. The match ends tomorrow. —China Mail Special.

Ministry of Labour this afternoon. The following joint statement was issued after a meeting lasting nearly four hours.

Representatives of the Football Association, the Football League and the Professional Footballers' Association had a full discussion of the proposals considered by the Managing Committee yesterday and the representatives of the Football League will report in the light of these discussions to the representatives of the clubs at their meeting on Friday next.

Jimmy Hill, chairman of the PFA, said that a further series of players' meetings would be arranged as early as possible — probably next week in London, Birmingham and Manchester.

"We will report back to our members on the negotiations to date. They gave us a month to try to reach a settlement and it will be within that time limit that we shall tell them what has happened."

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Frenchman
fined \$600
on driving
summons

Jacques Arnoux, a 29-year-old Frenchman, living at 45 Hankow-road, Flat H, second floor, pleaded guilty to summons of driving without a valid licence, and third party insurance.

He was fined a total of \$600 by Mr. T. C. Chan at North Kowloon Court this morning. He was also disqualified from holding and obtaining a driving licence for one year.

Sub-Inspector R. Sturgeon, attached to the Traffic Office, told the Court that at 2.07 pm on August 26 this year, Staff-Sgt. at Ching while on motor cycle patrol saw an unattended car parked on the roadside of Hankow-road near Haiphong-road.

This Staff-Sergeant had received information two months previously that the car was normally driven by Arnoux, who did not hold a valid licence.

It is the sergeant saw a woman in, and the car followed the defendant who sat at the wheel. As the defendant sat in the car, the sergeant stopped him.

After questioning, Arnoux admitted that he had no valid licence.

Defendant had two similar previous convictions last year, in the 31st and 32nd.

HEAVY RAIN

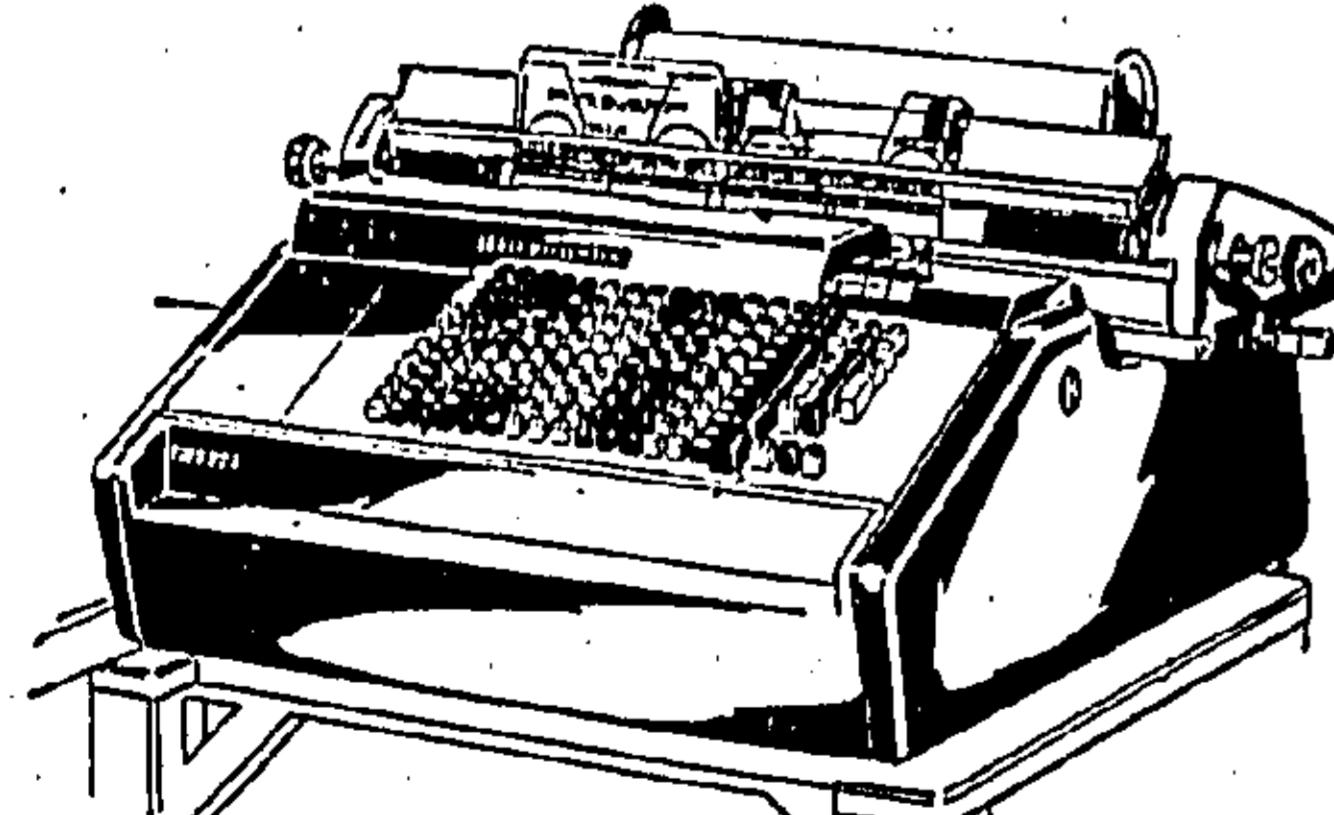
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Because of the previous heavy rain, she could not start the engine, so Arnoux offered to help. The car was parked between two other cars and the defendant's object was to get the car out of that difficult position for her.

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Driver fined
\$3,000, banned
for a year

A determined police officer chased a car in the streets of Wanchai and Happy Valley at speeds of more than 50 miles an hour in the early hours of October 23.

The long chase was described in the Causeway Bay Court this morning when L. B. Melwani, driver of the car, pleaded guilty to three summonses of careless and dangerous driving and exceeding the speed limit of 30 miles per hour.

Mr. I. T. Morris, the Magistrate, imposed a fine of \$3,000 on Melwani, who was also disqualified from driving for 12 months.

Inspector M. R. Atkinson, prosecuting, said that Chief Inspector J. Hadden was driving his son near the Grand Theatre in Queen's-road East about 1.45 am on October 23 when he was overtaken by another car.

Inspector Hadden noticed it was on the wrong side of the road and was travelling at a very high speed. He gave chase and shortly after found that his speedometer was reading 45 miles per hour.

Outside Wah Yan College, when the inspector was about 10 yards behind the other car, the speedometer showed 52 miles per hour and at Jockey Club it registered 60 miles per hour.

The two cars passed three road junctions and the car being followed never stopped at any of them. Inspector Atkinson said:

When it finally stopped outside No. 47 Blue Pool-road, Inspector Hadden approached the car and found the defendant who was the driver and three other passengers in the car.

Melwani, of 346 Tai Hang-tau, had four previous convictions for traffic offences, Inspector Atkinson said.

DEATH OF FORMER RESIDENT

Mr. George Thomas Palmer, a former resident in Hong Kong, died at St Joseph Hospice, London, yesterday, after a long illness. He was 57.

Born in Wales, Mr. Palmer came to the Far East more than 30 years ago.

He was with the Hong Kong Volunteers when war broke out and was a POW.

After the war, he joined Shaw, Thomas and Co., Ltd., and was manager of the contracting and metals department and later taught at the Melvani English Tutorial School before he was taken ill three years ago. He then returned to England.

He is survived by his wife Kalle, in Hong Kong, and two daughters, Marilyn, who is in Hong Kong, and Mrs. Isabelle Coster, who is in Dutch Guiana.

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2 SOLDIERS DROVE SOMEONE'S CYCLE HOME, FINED \$350

Two young soldiers of 1st Battalion, Royal Northumbrian Fusiliers, Stanley Fort, were fined \$350 each for taking a motor cycle to drive back to Stanley after being stranded in the city.

The soldiers, Frederick Alexander Fletcher, 21, and Kenneth John Malmwaring, both aged 22, pleaded guilty to driving a motor cycle without a licence, without the owner's consent and without third party insurance.

In addition to the fines, they were disqualified from holding a driving licence for one year.

Sub-Inspector B. Webster told the court on Sunday night the defendants were out playing tombola and had a few drinks. As it was late they tried to find lodgings without success.

WATERFRONT

It was then about 3 am on 1st as they wandered along the waterfront. In Connaught-road Central, they saw a motor cycle near Pottinger-street. They took it and intended to drive it back to Stanley Fort.

Sgt. Fletcher, who had held a licence in England, drove the cycle while Malmwaring sat on the rear seat.

The next morning, they were questioned by the military authorities about the use of the cycle the previous night and both admitted they had taken it from the waterfront. A report was made to the police.

Insp. Webster said both defendants were National Servicemen and had been in the army since February this year, earning approximately \$40 a week. Fletcher had to send money to his wife in England and Malmwaring to his mother.

He said she paid him \$100 a month.

The Council of Social Services acknowledge with thanks two donations of \$50 each for blankets from Mr. H. G. Robinson and Miss Frederica C. W. van der Windt.

Woman dies at 130

New Delhi, Dec. 5. An old Sikh woman died in New Delhi yesterday aged 130. One of the old woman's grandchildren is already himself a grandfather.

She remembered the conquest of the Punjab by the British, when Maharajah Ranjit Singh was ruler of the Punjab. She had retained good eyesight and her own teeth until her death.

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